## ADA Advisory Council Meeting Minutes July 20, 2011

This meeting of the ADA Advisory Council was held in the conference room of the Hood Building on S. President St. in Jackson. Attending today's meeting were members: Sam Gleese, City ADA Coordinator; Lee Cole, Chairperson; Karen Robinson, Scott Crawford, Christy Dunaway, Willie Cook, Jackie Washington, Namon Hulitt and Jason Bunch. Also in attendance were: Traci Brent with city of Jackson Public Transit, Sam Tensley, General Manager, PTM; Kay Hardage, Esq. with Disability Rights Mississippi.

Lee Cole called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. Christy Dunaway read the minutes from the last meeting. Dr. Scott Crawford made the motion to accept the minutes as written, Karen Robinson seconded and the motion passed. Christy Dunaway reiterated to Sam Gleese the need for city support on taking the minutes.

## **Old Business:**

- 1) Transition Plan Sam Gleese has sent the plan developed by JBHM Architects to the sub-committee members (Scott Crawford, Christy Dunaway and Judy Sikes). However, the email was large and some couldn't open the documents. He assured them he would get the plan to them on a disk. Dr. Scott Crawford questioned why the sidewalks and curb cuts were not included in the Transition Plan and wondered if the City has plans to hire someone to conduct an assessment. Traci Brent informed him that the City will be hiring someone to make repairs of issues already presented. Lee Cole recommended that random checks be conducted of known issues to ensure compliance. Dr. Scott Crawford again requested the plan on a DVD with all of the pictures.
- 2) Cab Company Lee Cole stated that the issue of a local cab company charging individuals with disabilities more money for use of the accessible cab has been addressed. The company has been informed by the Jackson Police Department that they are violating the ADA.
- 3) Lee Cole requested an update from Sam Gleese about the invitation to Larry Smith with the Central MS Planning and Development District to attend our meetings. Sam Gleese stated that he had spoken with Charles Carr at MDOT about the issue and was told that the Council should inform his office of our concerns and he would follow up. Sam Gleese agreed to draft a letter to Charles Carr, but wants consumers to sign it.
- 4) Disability Awareness Month is in October. Sam Gleese requested a planning meeting for next week.
  - 1. Christy Dunaway invited everyone to City Hall and the LIFE offices on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Journey of Hope cycling team and ADA anniversary celebration.

The next meeting has been scheduled for August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 p.m. There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned.

These Minutes were prepared by Christy Dunaway and approved at the August 03, 2011 meeting.